

REPORTS
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OFFICERS
OF THE
TOWN OF WESTON, 1887.

Town Clerk.

GEO. W. CUTTING.

Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor.

HENRY J. WHITE, SAMUEL H. WARREN,
ARTHUR L. COBURN.

Assessors.

ALONZO S. FISKE, HENRY J. WHITE,
FRANK H. UPHAM.

School Committee.

FRANK H. UPHAM, 3 years; REV. AMOS HARRIS, 2 years;
NAHUM SMITH, 1 year.

Trustees of Merriam Fund.

EDWARD COBURN, HORATIO HEWS,
GEO W. CUTTING.

Treasurer and Collector.

HORACE HEWS.

Auditor.

HERMAN A. TRAIN.

Library Committee.

OLIVER R. ROBBINS, HORACE S. SEARS,
ELIZABETH S. GOWING.

Library Treasurer.

HORACE HEWS.

Burial Ground Committee.

LUTHER FRANK UPHAM, 3 years; EDWARD COBURN,
2 years; GEO. E. HOBBS, 1 year.

Road Commissioners.

MARSHALL L. UPHAM, 3 years; ALONZO S. FISKE, 2 years;
BENJ. F. CUTTER, 1 year.

Measurers of Wood and Bark.

District No. 1. GEO. W. CUTTING.
" No. 2. EDWARD E. BROWN.
" No. 3. GEO. W. DUNN.
" No. 4. DANIEL GARFIELD.
" No. 5. CHARLES S. CUTTER.
" No. 6. HORACE LEADBETTER

Surveyors of Lumber.

DANIEL GARFIELD, DANIEL SMITH,
BENJ. F. CUTTER.

Fence Viewers.

NATHAN BARKER, SAMUEL F. CLARK,
HENRY J. JENNISON.

Field Drivers.

THOMAS E. COBURN, NATHAN BARKER, JR.,
WILLIAM C. COOPER.

Constables.

ALONZO S. FISKE, SAMUEL H. WARREN,
NATHAN BARKER, JR.

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

DANIEL SMITH.

Forest Fire Wards.

EDWARD COBURN, MARCUS M. FISKE.

Pound Keeper.

NATHAN BARKER, JR.

Public Weigher.

GEO. W. CUTTING.

Special Police Officers.

MERRILL FRENCH, WILLIAM H. MEAD.

Undertaker.

FRANK H. UPHAM.

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK.

BIRTHS

REGISTERED IN WESTON FOR THE YEAR 1887.

Whole number, 20; males, 12; females, 8; of native parentage, 8; of foreign parentage, 2; of mixed parentage, 10.

Jan. 5. Willard Raymond Coburn.

“ 5. ——— Monyhon F.

“ 8. Ethel Vera Gates.

Mar. 3. ——— Monyhon.

“ 5. Mary Ellen Hennessy.

“ 22. Richard Frederick Fuller.

“ 26. Francis Henry White.

June 27. Winthrop Homer Dunn.

July 16. Effie Ellen Higgins.

“ 31. Frederick Eugene Loker.

“ 31. Lorne Evander Wright.

Aug. 1. Charles Armour.

“ 10. Lura Frances Graham.

“ 30. ——— Jenkins.

Sept. 2. Herbert Nash Gowell.

“ 2. Addie Matilda Martin.

“ 7. Clifford Weston Hinds.

Oct. 8. Charles Henry Tibbetts.

“ 13. William Carleton Perry.

Nov. 21. Bessie Ann Finn.

MARRIAGES

REGISTERED IN WESTON FOR THE YEAR 1887.

March 23. Walter Fay Baker, of Lincoln, and Ella M. Viles,
of Weston.

- May 18. James D. Jammerson and Jennie F. Judd, both of Wayland.
- June 19. Evander J. McPherson and Lizzie A. Etta (Morton) both of Watertown.
- June 20. Sylvester Earnest Morse, of Ellsworth, Kansas, and Jennie Dora Spear, of Weston.
- June 27. Edwin Walton and Jennie Irene Lovewell, both of Weston.
- June 30. Nathaniel T. Lane, of West Newton, and Lulie Aletta Seaverns, of Weston.
- August 10. George N. Stevens, of Weston, and Louise A. Ogilvie, of Waltham.
- Sept. 3. Hugh Stevenson, of Saxonville, and Mary A. Carr, of Sudbury.
- Sept. 8. Frank Richardson Murdock and Ellen Priscilla Dunn, both of Weston.
- Sept. 28. Charles Almond Benson and Emma Jane King, both of Weston.
- Oct. 19. William Clifford Baker, of Malden, and Florence Susan Stratton, of Weston.
- Nov. 9. Frederick H. Hagar, of Weston, and Mildred M. Lennon, of Belmont.
- Nov. 17. Edward Dooley, of Weston, and Mary Connell, of Newton.
- Nov. 28. Howard L. Cooper, of Pasadena, California, and Lucy M. Newbury, of Weston.

DEATHS

REGISTERED IN WESTON FOR THE YEAR 1887.

Date.	NAME.	Years.	Months.	Days.
Jan. 18.	Charles Townsend Hubbard,	69	6	10
27.	Lydia Welsh Oliver (Johnson),	67	3	23

Date.	NAME.	Years.	Months.	Days.
Feb. 14.	Frederick Thomas Bush,	71	10	
April 4.	Lucy Maria Upham (Jones),	74	11	5
" 11.	Ephraim Loker,	83	3	23
May 15.	Martha C. Hews (Brackett)	68	5	16
" 23.	William Hastings,	87	6	17
June 6.	Mary E. Green (Kingsbury),	47	10	2
July 4.	Simon J. Dunnelly,	2	7	
" 6.	Joseph Hanlan,	1	4	2
" 26.	Persis B. Fillmore,	92	9	.
Aug. 3.	Henry Dwight Bowen,	61	7	7
" 9.	Julia Ella O'Brien,	19		
" 23.	John Dunn,	76	3	
Sep. 22.	William R. Eldridge.	76		10
Oct. 10.	Moses Hervey Fuller,	57	10	22
" 29.	Frank Louis Roberts,	10	9	
Nov. 3.	Martha Bruce (Hobbs),	78	7	18
" 14.	Alfred Rudolph Nelson,	7	4	
Dec. 19.	Hannah Devall	86	10	17
Amount paid into the County Treasury, on account of dog licenses,			\$265	80

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. W. CUTTING, *Town Clerk.*

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

STATEMENT OF EXPENSES.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Appropriation,		\$4000 00
Massachusetts School Fund,		166 79
D. M. Duston, Prin. of High School,	\$400. 00	
F. E. Whittemore, " "	694 43	
M. Eva Warren, Intermediate School,	500 00	
Ellen M. Jones, Primary School No. 1,	44 44	
Susie E. Cutter, " " 1,	88 88	
Clara J. Schwartz, " " 1,	133 33	
Gertrude E. Thompson, " " 1,	133 35	
Lillie I. Dunn, " " 2,	375 00	
Mary V. Poutas, " " 3,	375 00	
Annie C. Coburn, " " 4,	450 00	
Lizzie J. Viles, " " 5,	400 00	
Florence S. Stratton, " " 6,	125 00	
Lura A. Dunn, " " 6,	250 00	
Amount of School Fund transferred to		
School Incidentals,	33 66	
	<hr/>	\$4,003 09
Balance unexpended,		<hr/> \$163 70

SCHOOL INCIDENTALS.

Appropriation,	\$1,200 00
Amount transferred from School Fund,	33 66
H. C. Kendall, engrossing diplomas,	\$3 00
George W. Cutting & Son, articles for Schools,	83 95
Educational Supply Co., articles for Schools,	13 53
Boston School Supply Co., articles for Schools,	1 80
Geo. Crosby & Co., articles for Schools,	6 25
D. M. Dustan, articles for High School,	5 85
T. Metcalf & Co., articles for High School,	4 07
F. Tucker, painting High School rooms,	3 75
E. W. Russell, " " " House,	338 13
Geo. F. Frost, bricks for High School House,	3 00
Smith & Anthony Stove Co., furnace for High School House,	179 59
F. A. Robinson, labor and stock at High School House,	55 27
Chas. Emerson, coal for High School,	131 61
F. E. King, labor at " "	2 60
H. J. White, " " " "	5 00
F. H. Upham, mason work, " "	2 50
M. French, janitor, " "	85 00
" labor, " "	3 22
" phosphate, " "	2 00
N. Smith, sundry persons for labor,	32 50
" sundry items,	6 19
" sundry persons, care of Primary rooms, Spring term,	24 00

Amounts carried forward, \$992 81\$ 1,233 66

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$992 81	\$1,233 66
N. Smith, sundry persons, care of Primary rooms, Fall term.	24 00	
Stickney & Son, stove for School No. 6,	17 00	
A. S. Fiske, wood,	81 25	
Geo. F. Jones, wood,	61 75	
Geo. H. Stratton, wood,	30 50	
O. N. Kenney, repairing desks,	80	
J. S. Gould, labor and stock, as per bill,	23 80	
F. Jennison, labor at School No. 6,	1 75	
	<hr/>	\$1,233 66

TOWN INCIDENTALS.

Appropriation,		\$1,200 00
Advertiser Publishing Co., printing Town Reports,	84 00	
H. J. White, distributing Town Reports,	3 00	
“ notices for Town Meetings,	3 00	
“ stationery and postage,	3 35	
H. A. Train, examining proof,	3 50	
“ stationery and blank books,	3 65	
F. H. Upham, return of deaths for 1886,	2 00	
“ “ “ 1887,	4 00	
“ 1 set of undertaker's cas- ket straps,	4 00	
“ Assessors' books,	3 00	
A. S. Fiske, wood for Town House,	19 05	
“ administering oath to Town Officers,	3 00	
“ examining Bank Tax,	5 00	
“ services as Constable,	18 05	
“ stationery for Assessors,	5 25	
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<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$163 85	\$1,200 00

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$163 85	\$1,200 00
Geo. W. Cutting & Son, articles for Town Hall and Library,	28 86	
F. W. Jackson, M. D., return of births and deaths,	6 00	
Chas. Emerson, coal for Town House,	15 00	
E. Bemis, labor at " "	6 00	
Daniel Smith, labor on fire hooks,	6 50	
Charles F. Baner, tuning piano for Town Hall,	3 25	
Wm. H. Mead, services as Police,	2 50	
S. W. Tucker, services as Deputy Sheriff,	12 92	
J. W. Moore, conveying state-aid agent,	2 50	
Charles Tobey, labor, per order Board of Health,	2 25	
Christopher White, raising halyards,	2 00	
Anderson Brothers, repairing hearse,	75 00	
M. L. Upham, grading gravel bank on School St.,	29 75	
N. Barker, Jr., services as Constable,	2 00	
Henry Jennison, expenses for Memorial Day,	19 00	
Somers & Starbuck, printing Town War- rants,	9 50	
B. B. Johnson, legal services,	15 00	
Geo. M. Stevens, replacing Town Clock,	62 34	
" " repairing " "	2 00	
Town of Lincoln tax,	6 83	
Theo. Jones, care of Town Clock,	6 25	
" sundry items,	2 30	
John Coburn, care of Town Hall,	111 50	
	<hr/>	\$593 10
Balance unexpended,		\$606 90

TEXT BOOKS.

Appropriation,				\$350 00
March.	Oliver Ditson & Co.,	text books,	\$4 80	
April.	Amos Harris,	" "	4 00	
	Adams & Ingraham,	" "	9 15	
	Educational Supply Co.,	text books,	3 28	
	Harrison Hume,	text books,	15 98	
	Leach, Shewall & Sanborn,	text books,	3 13	
	Wm. Ware & Co.,	text books,	11 00	
	Harper & Brothers,	" "	12 78	
June.	" "	" "	95	
	Boston School Supply Co.,	text books,	50 97	
Sept.	Boston School Supply Co.,	text books,	15 45	
	Harper & Brothers,	text books,	81	
	A. C. Stockin,	" "	2 24	
	Houghton, Mifflin & Co.,	text books,	6 12	
	Silver, Rogers & Co.,	text books,	3 20	
	Harrison Hume,	" "	30 60	
Oct.	" "	" "	5 88	
	Ginn & Co.,	" "	67	
	Adams & Ingraham,	" "	5 98	
	Harper & Brothers,	" "	6 51	
	Wm. Ware & Co.,	" "	10 42	
Dec.	Harrison Hume,	" "	11 97	
	Boston School Supply Co.,	text books,	25 63	
	Harper & Brothers,	text books,	6 06	
	D. Appleton & Co.,	" "	47	
<i>Amounts carried forward</i>			\$248 05	\$350 00

<i>Amounts brought forward</i>		\$248 05	\$350 00
	F. H. Bradford, stationery,	4 80	
1888.			
Feb.	Wm. Ware & Co., text books,	3 50	
	Boston School Supply Co., text books,	30 50	
	Harper & Brothers, text books,	1 62	
		<hr/>	\$288 47
Balance unexpended,			<hr/> \$61 53

HIGHWAYS.

A. S. FISKE, *Road Commissioner.*

Appropriation,			\$5,500 00
April.	Self,	16 days,	\$40 00
	Men,	63 "	110 25
	Horses,	16½ "	24 75
	Oxen,	10 "	20 00
	H. G. Russell,	13½ "	23 63
	" " horse,	12 "	18 00
May.	Self,	6 "	15 00
	Men,	40 "	70 00
	Horses,	9 "	13 50
	Oxen,	5 "	10 00
	H. G. Russell,	11 "	19 25
	" " horse,	7 "	10 50
June.	Self,	7 "	17 50
	Men,	33½ "	58 63
	Horses,	9 "	13 50
	Oxen,	3½ "	7 00
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<i>Amounts carried forward</i>		\$471 51	\$5,500 00

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>			\$471 51	\$5,500 00
	H. G. Russell,	15½ days	27 13	
	“ “ horse,	7½ “	11 25	
Nov.	Self,	2 “	5 00	
	Men,	10 “	17 50	
	Horses,	4 “	6 00	
Dec.	Self,	30 hours,	7 50	
	Men,	80 “	14 00	
	Oxen,	50 “	10 00	

M. L. UPHAM, *Road Commissioner.*

March.	Self,	3 days,	7 50	
	Men,	9 “	15 75	
	Horses,	6 “	9 00	
April.	Self,	22 “	55 00	
	Men,	66 “	115 50	
	Horses,	54 “	81 00	
	Oxen,	3½ “	7 00	
	H. Higgins,	13 “	22 75	
	J. Caswell,	6½ “	11 38	
	D. Cahill,	7 “	12 25	
	J. Hussey, men,	24 “	42 00	
	Geo. W. Dunn, as per bill,		49 52	
May.	Self,	18 days,	45 00	
	Men,	58 “	101 50	
	Horses,	51 “	76 50	
	Oxen,	8 “	16 00	
	J. Caswell,	13 “	22 75	
	D. Cahill,	13 “	22 75	
	A. M. Upham,	10 “	17 50	
	H. Higgins,	12 “	21 00	
	H. Parker,	1 “	1 75	

<i>Amounts carried forward</i>	\$1,323 29	\$5,500 00
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<i>Amounts brought forward</i>			\$1,323 29	\$5,500 00
June.	Self,	13 days,	32 50	
	Men,	65 "	113 75	
	Horses,	39 "	58 50	
	Oxen,	7 "	14 00	
	A. M. Upham.	12 "	21 00	
	H. Higgins,	4 "	7 00	
July.	Self,	6½ "	16 25	
	Men,	32 "	56 00	
	Horses,	30 "	45 00	
	Oxen,	8 "	16 00	
	H Higgins,	8 "	14 00	
Aug.	Self,	4 "	10 00	
	Men,	12 "	21 00	
	Horses,	8 "	12 00	
	H. Higgins,	4 "	7 00	
Sept.	Self,	16 "	40 00	
	Men,	51 "	89 25	
	Horses,	43 "	64 50	
	Oxen,	14 "	28 00	
	H. Higgins,	16 "	28 00	
Oct.	Self,	24 "	60 00	
	Men,	104 "	182 00	
	Horses,	69 "	103 50	
	Oxen,	23 "	46 00	
	H. Higgins,	24 "	42 00	
	Geo. W. Dunn, as per bill,		17 04	
	J. Hussey,	8½ "	24 62	
	" men,	81½ "	142 62	
Nov.	Self,	11 "	27 50	
	Men,	55 "	96 25	
	Horses,	30 "	45 00	
	Oxen,	5 "	10 00	
<i>Amounts carried forward</i>			\$2,813 57	\$5,500 00

<i>Amounts brought forward</i>		\$2,813 57	\$5,500 00
	H. Higgins,	4 days,	7 00
Dec.	Self,	170 hours,	42 50
	Men,	601 "	105 17
	Horses,	490 "	73 50
	H. Higgins,	50 "	8 75
	D. Cahill,	100 "	17 50
	J. Hussey, as per bill,		61 25

B. F. CUTTER, *Road Commissioner.*

April.	Self,	13½ days,	33 75
	Men,	94 "	164 50
	Horses,	43½ "	65 25
	Charles A. Warren, as per bill,		90 68
May.	Self,	11¼ days,	28 12
	Men,	89½ "	156 62
	Horses,	36 "	54 00
	C. A. Warren, as per bill,		29 44
	Geo. F. Jones, " "		34 75
	J. Hussey, men,	20 days,	35 00
June.	Self,	12¼ "	31 25
	Men,	72½ "	126 87
	Horses,	44 "	66 00
	C. A. Warren, as per bill,		54 13
	Geo. F. Jones, " "		30 00
Aug.	Self,	5 days,	12 50
	Men,	31½ "	55 12
	Horses,	20 "	30 00
Sept.	Self,	3 "	7 50
	Men,	23½ "	41 12
	Horses,	14 "	21 00
	C. A. Warren, as per bill,		62 15
Nov.	Self,	2 "	5 00

<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$4,363 99	\$5,500 00
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<i>Amounts brought forward</i>		\$4,363 99	\$5,500 00
	Men, 32 days,	56 00	
	Horses, 14 "	21 00	
	C. A. Warren, as per bill,	34 38	
Dec.	Self, 4 days,	10 00	
	Men, 30 "	45 00	
	Horses, 21 "	31 50	
	C. A. Warren, as per bill,	34 50	
	A. M. Loker, " "	4 00	
	T. Howard Barnes, services as Civil Engineer on Lexington street,	54 75	
	T. Howard Barnes, services as Civil Engineer on proposed new street,	157 50	
	City of Waltham, repairing bridge,	5 00	
	Geo. E. Allen, road scraper,	250 00	
	" " 1 pair of machine edges,	16 00	
	F. W. Mead, stone screenings,	104 00	
	T. N. Sherman, covering stone,	34 00	
	F. E. Kendall, articles for Highways,	11 94	
	Geo. W. Cutting & Son, arti- cles for Highways,	28 75	
	A. S. Fiske, articles for High- ways,	23 25	
	B. F. Cutter, articles for High- ways,	6 10	
	D. Garfield, repairing tools for Highways,	8 20	
	D. J. O'Donnell, repairing tools for Highways,	17 75	
<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>		<hr/> \$5,317 61	<hr/> \$5,500 00

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$5,317 61	\$5,500 00
J. G. Graham, repairing tools for		
Highways,	22 05	
Daniel Smith, repairing tools for		
Highways,	85	
A. S. Fiske, gravel,	15 00	
M. L. Upham, “	24 00	
Chas. Jones, “	24 80	
Geo. F. Jones, “	8 00	
Abijah Coburn, “	13 50	
Mrs. Jacobs, “	4 75	
J. Schwartz, “	1 60	
M. L. Upham, snow bill,	14 40	
Geo. W. Dunn, “	14 96	
N. E. Upham, “	1 00	
H. P. Parker, labor as per bill,	14 00	
W. H. Leatherbee, lumber,	7 28	
	—	\$5,483 80
Balance unexpended,		\$16 20

 LEXINGTON STREET.

Appropriation,		\$2,000 00
May. A. S. Fiske, setting bounds,	17 50	
“ “ “ 8 days,	20 00	
Men, 25½ “	44 63	
Horses, 8½ “	12 75	
Oxen, 1½ “	3 00	
H. G. Russell, 20 “	35 00	
“ “ horse, 6 “	9 00	
July. Self, 3 “	7 50	
<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$149 38	\$2,000 00

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>		\$149 38	\$2,000 00
	Men,	10 days,	17 50
	Horses,	4 "	6 00
	H. G. Russell,	7½ "	13 13
	" " horse,	3 "	4 50
	Fitchburg R. R., freight,		24 00
Aug.	Wm. Reed, covering stone,		24 18
	Self,	5 days,	12 50
	Men,	28 "	49 00
	Horses,	5 "	7 50
	Oxen,	4 "	8 00
	H. G. Russell,	11 "	19 25
	" " horse,	5 "	7 50
Sept.	Self,	17 "	42 50
	Men,	92 "	161 00
	Horse,	19 "	28 50
	Oxen,	21 "	42 00
	H. G. Russell and man,	36 "	63 00
	" " horse,	17 "	25 50
Oct.	Self,	24 "	60 00
	Men,	111½ "	195 13
	Horse,	26½ "	39 75
	Oxen,	31 "	62 00
	H. G. Russell and man,	44½ "	77 88
	" " horse,	21 "	31 50
Nov.	Self,	19 "	47 50
	Men,	94½ "	165 38
	Horses,	20 "	30 00
	Oxen,	24 "	48 00
	H. G. Russell and man,	25 "	43 75
	" " horse,	17 "	25 50
Dec.	Self,	185 hours,	46 25

Amounts carried forward, \$1,577 58 \$2,000 00

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$1,577 58	2,000 00
Men, 775 days,	135 63	
Horses, 225 "	33 75	
Oxen, 200 "	40 00	
H. G. Russell, 180 "	31 50	
W. N. Gowell, labor as per bill	14 50	
A. S. Fiske, articles for Lexington street,	46 50	
W. H. Leatherbee, lumber,	40 97	
F. P. Johnson, services as civil engineer,	13 25	
Davis & Farnum Mfg. Co., pipes,	12 30	
Lighting street,	5 00	
S. E. Tyler, gravel,	26 40	
D. Garfield, repairing tools,	16 90	
	<hr/>	\$1,994 28
Balance unexpended,		<hr/> \$5 72

STREET LIGHTS.

Appropriation,		\$150 00
Morey, Churchill & Co., street lamps,	\$104 05	
A. S. Fiske, posts,	8 00	
F. H. Upham, labor as per bill,	8 50	
Committee, labor as per bill,	9 45	
	<hr/>	\$130 00
Balance unexpended,		<hr/> \$20 00

SALARIES OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Appropriation,		\$1,350 00
Henry J. White, services as Selectman,	40 00	
Samuel H. Warren, " " "	25 00	
Arthur L. Coburn, " " "	25 00	
Alonzo S. Fiske, " " Assessor,	100 00	
Henry J. White, " " "	38 00	
Frank H. Upham, " " "	38 00	
Amos Harris, " " School Com.,	50 00	
Nahum Smith, " " " "	50 00	
Frank H. Upham, " " " "	50 00	
Henry J. White, " " Overseer of		
Poor,	15 00	
Samuel H. Warren, " " Overseer of		
Poor,	15 00	
Arthur L. Coburn, " " Overseer of		
Poor,	15 00	
Geo. W. Cutting, " " Town Clerk,	92 23	
Herman A. Train, " " Auditor,	50 00	
John Coburn, " " Librarian,	200 00	
Horace Hews, " " Treasurer		
and Collector,	500 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,303 23
Balance unexpended,		<hr/> \$46 77

CEMETERIES.

Appropriation,		\$300 00
L. F. Upham, superintending and labor, as		
per bill,	144 65	
E. L. Bemis, labor as per bill,	18 38	
R. W. Stewart, " " " "	43 22	
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<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$206 25	300 00

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$206 25	\$300 00
Geo. W. Cutting, articles for cemeteries,	9 83	
Whittemore Bros., fertilizer,	4 12	
Geo. Sanderson, plants and flowers,	5 00	
Trustees,	15 00	
	<hr/>	\$240 20

Balance unexpended,	\$59 80
(For items see Trustees' report.)	

SUPPORT OF POOR.

Appropriation,	\$1,000 00
Overseers of Poor, support at Alms-house,	\$503 00
Overseers of Poor, outside relief,	419 86
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	\$922 86

Balance unexpended,	\$77 14
(For items see Overseers' report.)	

INTEREST ON DEBT.

Appropriation,	\$1,000 00
Amount,	\$778 65
" transferred to Discount and	
Abatements,	10 95
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	\$789 60

Balance unexpended,	\$210 40
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DISCOUNT AND ABATEMENTS.

Appropriation,	\$800 00
Amount transferred from Interest,	10 95
Amount,	\$810 95
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	\$810 95

LIBRARY.

Appropriation, dog tax,		\$278 10
Library Treasurer, dog tax refunded,	\$278 10	
	<hr/>	\$278 10

EXTENSION OF HIGH SCHOOL GROUNDS.

Appropriation,		\$500 00
Amount transferred from Highways,		450 00
M. L. Upham, as per contract on account,	\$400 00	\$950 00
“ “ labor as per bill,	48 00	
	<hr/>	\$448 00
Balance unexpended,		<hr/> \$502 00

STATE AID.

Mrs. Harriet F. Stimpson,	\$30 00	
Mrs. Martha Tucker,	48 00	
Hosea F. Travis,	48 00	
Lemuel A. Smith,	48 00	
	<hr/>	\$174 00

Auditor's Account with Treasurer and Collector.

DR.

Cash in Treasury, March 1, 1887,	\$1,169 94
Mass. Corporation Tax, bal. of 1886,	821 40
“ “ “ for 1887,	8,102 70
“ Bank Tax,	2,208 79
“ State Aid,	192 00
“ School Fund,	166 79
County Treasurer, dog tax refunded,	252 51
Weighing fees,	35 25
Rent of Town Hall,	130 00
“ “ Nonsuch Pond,	15 00
Sale of burial lot, Linwood Cemetery,	23 70
“ “ “ “ Central “	50
Bent Burial Fund, int. unexpended,	3 00
Hay sold,	5 00
Wood sold,	4 00
Old iron sold,	2 37
Crushed stone sold,	8 00
Waltham National Bank, temporary loans,	5,000 00
Tax Receipts, for 1886,	1,676 43
“ “ “ 1887,	13,849 31
Interest on Taxes,	52 99
Uncollected Taxes, March 1, 1888,	1,544 17
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	\$35,263 85

Auditor's Account with Treasurer and Collector.

CR.

Schools,	\$3,969 43
School Incidentals,	1,233 66
Town “	593 10
Highways,	5,483 80
Text Books,	288 47
Support of Poor,	922 86
Salaries of Town Officers,	1,303 23
Cemeteries,	240 20
Interest on Debt,	778 65
Discount and Abatements,	810 95
Library,	278 10
State Aid,	174 00
Lexington Street,	1,994 28
Street Lights,	130 00
Extension of High School Grounds,	448 00
State Tax,	2,812 50
County Tax,	1,315 15
Waltham National Bank, temporary loans,	5,000 00
“ Savings Bank, Church St. loan, in part,	1,500 00
Cash in Treasury,	4,443 30
Uncollected Taxes, March 1, 1888,	1,544 17
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	\$35,263 85

Auditor's Account with Treasurer and Collector.

DEBT OF THE TOWN.

Mary F. Peirce,	\$1,000 00	
Edward Peirce,	1,000 00	
Abigail Jones,	800 00	
First Parish, Weston,	400 00	
Trustees of Library Fund,	1,400 00	
“ Silent Poor Fund,	3,208 00	
Marshall L. Hews,	1,750 00	
Waltham Savings Bank, Church Street		
loan, balance due,	2,000 00	
Bent Burial Fund,	109 00	
	<hr/>	\$11,667 00

ASSETS OF THE TOWN.

Cash in Treasury,	\$4,443 30	
Uncollected Taxes,	1,544 17	
State Aid,	174 00	
	<hr/>	\$6,161 47
Total Debt,		<hr/> \$5,505 53

ASSESSORS' VALUATION, MAY 1, 1887.

Total value of real estate,	\$1,122,500 00
“ “ personal estate,	892,983 00
Total Value,	<u>\$2,015,483 00</u>
State Tax,	2,812 50
County “	1,315 15
Town “	11,265 83
Total Tax,	<u>\$15,393 48</u>

RATE PER CENT:

State Tax on property,	\$1.17	per \$1,000	00
County “ “	.435	“	
Town “ “	5.595	“	
Total,	<u>\$7.20</u>		

Number of polls,	441
“ paying tax on property, including non-residents,	594
“ poll taxpayers only,	206
“ horses,	414
“ cows,	918
“ neat cattle other than cows,	146
“ swine,	153
“ sheep,	6
“ dwellings,	281
“ acres taxed,	10,463½

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN A. TRAIN, *Auditor.*

WESTON, Feb. 29, 1888.

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

DR.

Balance in Treasury, March 1, 1887,	\$1,169 94
Rent of Town Hall,	130 00
“ “ Nonsuch Pond,	15 00
Weighing fees,	35 25
Sale of burial lot, Linwood Cemetery,	23 70
“ “ “ “ Central “	50
Bent Burial Fund, interest unexpended,	3 00
Old iron sold,	2 37
Crushed stone sold,	8 00
Hay and wood sold,	9 00
Waltham National Bank, temporary loans,	5,000 00
County of Middlesex, dog tax refunded,	252 51
State of Massachusetts, income from School Fund,	166 79
“ “ “ Corporation Tax, bal. 1886,	821 40
“ “ “ “ “ 1887,	8,102 70
“ “ “ National Bank Tax,	2,208 79
“ “ “ State Aid refunded,	192 00
Horace Hews, Collector, Taxes of 1886,	1,676 43
“ “ “ “ “ 1887,	13,849 31
“ “ “ Interest on Taxes,	52 99
	<hr/> \$33,719 68

CR.

By paid State of Massachusetts, State Tax,	\$2,812 50
“ County of Middlesex, County Tax,	1,315 15
“ Waltham National Bank, temporary loans,	5,000 00
“ Waltham Savings Bank, Church St. loan,	
in part,	1,500 00
“ Sundry persons, Selectmen's orders,	18,648 73
Balance in Treasury,	4,443 30
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	\$33,719 68

HORACE HEWS, *Treasurer.*

WESTON, Feb. 29, 1888.

TAXES UNCOLLECTED.

Tax of 1887,	\$1,544 17
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HORACE HEWS, *Collector.*

WESTON, Feb. 29, 1888.

REPORT

OF THE

SELECTMEN AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

The Almshouse remains under the charge of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Mead, who have served the Town faithfully during the past two years. At the beginning of the year there were three inmates: Mrs. Harriet Dudley, aged 60 years; Mrs. John L. Seaverns, aged 65 years; Joseph H. Seaverns, aged 47 years. Present number, 3.

310 tramps cared for during the year.

RECEIPTS FROM THE FARM.

Cash on hand,	\$61 98
Cash received for sale of milk,	1,052 41
“ cows,	68 00
“ calves,	7 50
“ pickles,	87 22
“ eggs,	108 99
“ poultry,	14 52
“ potatoes,	16 75
“ peas, beans, tomatoes,	9 45
“ horse,	15 00
“ old iron,	75
“ board of Mrs. Cutter,	100 00
“ from Treasury,	503 00
	\$2,045 57

EXPENSES.

Cash paid William H. Mead, superintending,	\$365 00
“ groceries,	173 98
“ flour and grain,	385 81
“ brewer's grains,	198 80
“ meat,	121 54
“ fish, salt, and soap,	15 57
“ clothing,	27 80
“ household goods,	21 43
“ cows,	172 50
“ labor,	85 30
“ coal,	72 03
“ repairs,	21 30
“ farming tools,	9 31
“ blacksmithing,	45 11
“ manure, phosphates, etc.,	51 22
“ medicine,	2 50
“ hardware,	9 39
“ garden seeds, etc.,	35 05
“ horse collar,	6 45
“ horse,	150 00
“ sundries,	47 68
Cash in hand of Superintendent,	27 80
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	\$2,045 57

OUTSIDE RELIEF.

Cash paid City of Waltham for aid rendered Mrs. Mary Veno and family,	\$120 29
“ Mrs. Mary Veno,	48 00
“ for care, medical attendance, and burial of Mrs. Persis Fillmore,	116 75
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$285 04

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$285 04
Cash paid for medical attendance for workmen at Cambridge water works in Weston,	9 00
“ Commonwealth of Massachusetts, for sup- port of Caroline Harrington at Wor- cester Lunatic Hospital,	125 82
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	\$419 86
Cost at Almshouse,	503 00
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Total cost,	\$922 86

The Selectmen make the following Estimate of Expenditures for the ensuing year :

For Highways,	\$5,500 00
Schools,	4,000 00
School incidentals,	1,100 00
Text books,	350 00
Support of poor,	1,000 00
Cemeteries,	300 00
Interest on debt,	800 00
Salaries of Town Officers,	1,360 00
Discount and abatements,	800 00
Town incidentals,	1,200 00
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	\$16,410 00

JURY LIST.

The following names will be reported at the Annual March Meeting, to be placed in the Jury Box, subject to the revision of the Town :

Amri Barker,	Henry G. Russell,
Emery L. Bemis,	Louis E. Roberts,
Henry L. Brown,	Daniel Smith,
Christopher H. Bryden,	Edward R. Sibley,
Arthur L. Coburn,	George S. Sibley,
Hosea F. Davis,	Stanley Seaverns,
Henry J. Jennison,	Walter Smith,
Willard H. Jennings,	Herman A. Train,
Elias King,	Nathaniel W. Turner,
Ralph Kenney,	Augustus M. Upham,
Edward Leadbetter,	Nathan E. Upham,
Isaac O. Lovewell,	Charles A. Warren.

TOWN WARRANT.

Articles in Warrant for Town Meeting to be held March 26, 1888:

The Meeting will be called at 12.30 o'clock, P. M.

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator for said Meeting.

ARTICLE 2. To act upon the reports of the several Boards of Town Officers, and also to act upon the reports of any committee chosen by the Town.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will elect their several Boards of Officers upon one ballot, or act anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 4. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 5. To grant and appropriate such sums of money as may be thought necessary to defray the Town charges for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will fix the compensation of the Treasurer and Collector of Taxes.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of Taxes, or act anything relative to the collection of Taxes.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will accept the list of Jurors as reported by the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 9. To vote upon the question: Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town?

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will grant money for lighting streets, or act anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the employment of a policeman for the current year, or act anything relating to the same.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will add to its By-Laws the following Articles, or act anything relative thereto, viz.: 1st, The Town Clerk whenever he is officially advised of any proceedings which may result in the taking of private property for public use, shall cause a written notice of such proceedings to be left at the usual place of abode of the owner of said property. If the owner has no such place of abode in the Town, the Town Clerk shall cause the written notice to be mailed to his usual post-office address. 2d, No building shall be moved over a public street, without a written permit from the Road Commissioners, if any; if not, from the Selectmen; and no such permit shall be given when such removal will cause any destruction or injury to any tree or shrub standing in the street, or owned by any citizen, and projecting over the street, without first giving a public hearing.

ARTICLE 13. To see what action the Town will take with reference to rebuilding the sheds on Church Street, belonging to the first parish in Weston, lying east of the Town House, or act anything relative thereto.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY J. WHITE,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
SAMUEL H. WARREN,	
ARTHUR L. COBURN,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Weston.</i>

BY-LAWS

OF THE

TOWN OF WESTON.

By-Laws of the Town of Weston, in the County of Middlesex, and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, adopted at a Town meeting, April 3, 1882, as approved by the Superior Court, begun and holden at Cambridge, in said County, on the first Monday of June, 1882, to wit, June 14, 1882.

1. Notice of every Town meeting shall be given by posting a copy of the warrant therefor in three or more public places in the Town at least seven days before the time appointed for such meeting. Such further notice of any Town meeting may be given as the Selectmen deem proper. In case of the adjournment of any Town meeting from one day to another, the Town Clerk shall cause notice of the time and place of holding such adjourned meeting to be posted at the Post Office, which notice shall state the business to come before such adjourned meeting.

2. The Town Clerk shall attend punctually at the time and place appointed for any Town meeting, and, as soon as twelve voters are present, call the meeting to order, and proceed forthwith to read the warrant for the meeting, and the return of the person or persons who notified it; and if it appears to him that said meeting was legally called and notified, he shall then call upon the voters present to bring in their votes for a Moderator (if one be required at said meeting), and he shall preside until a Moderator is chosen, and assumes the office.

3. No action shall be had at any Town meeting on the report of any Committee previously chosen to report on any matter involving the expenditure of money, unless the same shall be specially notified in the warrant calling such meeting.

4. No vote fixing the period for closing a ballot shall be reconsidered after said ballot shall have begun ; but an extension of the time may be had by vote without reconsideration.

5. No vote involving the expenditure of any sum of money exceeding one hundred dollars shall be reconsidered at the same meeting at which it is passed, unless public notice of the intention to move such reconsideration be given within thirty minutes of the passage of such vote. The Clerk shall note in writing the time of the passage of such vote and also the time when the notice of reconsideration is given.

6. Every motion or order which is of a complicated nature, or of unusual length, shall be reduced to writing, and all other motions at the pleasure of the presiding officer.

7. The powers and duties of the presiding officer, not specially provided for by law, or by the By-Laws, shall be determined by the rules of practice contained in Cushing's Manual, so far as they are adapted to the conditions and powers of the Town.

8. The financial year shall begin on the first day of March, and end on the last day of February following.

9. The Annual Town Meeting shall be held on the third or fourth Monday of March in each year, at such time and place as the Selectmen may appoint.

10. The Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, School Committee, Auditor (if any), Treasurer and Collector, with such other Boards of Town Officers, or Committees of the Town as may be deemed expedient, shall report annually all matters pertaining to their several departments relating to the general interest and welfare of the Town. The Selectmen shall also report an estimate of the sums of money needed to defray the necessary charges and expenditures of the Town for the ensuing year. The Selectmen shall cause the several reports, together with a copy of their warrant calling the Annual Meeting in March, to be printed, and a copy of the same to be

left at the residence of every voter in Town (if known), two days, at least, before the time appointed for said Annual Meeting.

11. The Selectmen shall hold regular business meetings, of which due notice shall be given.

12. All bills against the Town shall be made out in detail with the proper date for each item, and shall be approved by a majority of the Board contracting said bill, and shall be presented to the Auditor, if any; if none, to the Selectmen for examination and approval; and the Treasurer shall not be required to pay within forty-eight hours after such presentation and approval.

13. The Selectmen shall at least once in every six months, and as much oftener as they think proper, examine thoroughly the books of the Treasurer, and ascertain the condition of the Treasury.

14. A discount of five per cent. shall be made and allowed on all taxes paid on or before October 15th in each year. All taxes shall become due, and payable February 1st of the year next succeeding the assessment thereof, and interest at the legal rate per annum shall be added to all taxes then unpaid; and all real estate on which taxes remain unpaid the first day of the following August, shall be sold by the Collector according to law. The Collector shall cause this section to be printed upon all tax bills.

15. The balance of any appropriation remaining after the object for which the money was appropriated has been accomplished, shall be covered into the Treasury, and shall be liable for any draft of the Selectmen for Contingencies.

16. No money of the Town shall be paid from the Treasury, except upon approved bills by, or written orders of, the Selectmen or a majority thereof.

17. The Town Treasurer shall not borrow any money on

behalf of the Town upon any promissory note, executed by him, as such Treasurer, unless said note is first countersigned by the Selectmen.

18. All Boards of standing Town Officers shall cause records of their doings and accounts to be kept in suitable books; the person having charge of the same shall transmit them to his successor in office. Whenever any vote affecting the duties of any Town officers is passed, the Clerk shall transmit a copy of the same to such officer or officers, who shall enter it upon the records of the Board.

19. No person shall pasture cattle or other animals, without a keeper, in or upon any of the streets or ways of the Town, and in no event without first obtaining the consent of the owner or occupant of the adjoining land.

20. No member of the Board of Selectmen or any officer appointed by the legal voters of the Town, authorized to make any contracts or agreements in behalf of the Town for labor, materials, goods, wares or merchandise furnished to the Town, or for a loan of money, shall be interested in a private capacity, either directly or indirectly, in such contracts, agreements, or loan, nor shall either directly or indirectly, for himself or for any other person, receive any commission, discount, bonus, present or reward from the persons making such sale, loan, contract or agreement for furnishing such goods, wares, merchandise or money.

21. Whenever any new street shall have been laid out or the direction of an old one altered, by the Selectmen or Road Commissioners, and accepted and allowed by the Town, no entry for the purpose of constructing such way or any part thereof shall be made until all claims for damages by reason thereof, shall have been finally adjusted or determined, unless such entry shall be authorized by special vote of the Town.

22. No person shall throw or kick any hand or foot ball in any of the streets of the Town in the vicinity of the Town House.

23. If any building shall be moved over or through any public street or square, the owner of such building and the persons moving the same shall be jointly and severally liable to the Town for all damages, costs, and expenses for which the Town may be liable or which they may be compelled to pay in consequence of such removal or of any obstruction, incumbrance or injury occasioned thereby.

24. No person shall place or cause to be placed in any public street or square, without a written license from the Road Commissioners, if any, if not, from the Selectmen, any rubbish, dirt, wood, timber or other material to obstruct or mar the appearance of the street or sidewalk.

25. No occupant of any house where there is, or has been recently, any case of small pox, scarlet fever, diphtheria, or other infectious or contagious disease, shall be permitted to attend any public school in the Town, until a certificate of a regular physician, that there is no longer danger of infection, is obtained, and presented to the teacher. The School Committee shall post or cause to be posted, a copy of this section in every school-room of the Town.

26. No person shall behave himself or herself in a rude or disorderly manner, or use any indecent, profane or insulting language in any public place in the Town, or near any dwelling-house, or other building therein, or be and remain upon any sidewalk, doorstep or other projection from any house or building so as to annoy or disturb any person, or obstruct any passage to the same.

27. No person shall tie or fasten any horse, cattle or team to any of the trees planted in any public highway, street, or

public lands of the Town, or drive into the same any nails, spikes, hooks or clasps, nor affix any boards thereto.

28. No person shall post, affix or in any way attach any poster, handbill, notice, advertisement or placard, or paint, draw or stamp any letter, notice, figure or advertisement, or mark upon or into, or otherwise deface any wall, fence, post, tree, building or structure not his own within the Town, without the permission of the owner of said wall, fence, post, tree, building or structure.

29. No person shall fire or discharge any gun, fowling piece, or fire-arms, on any street, way or land of the Town, or on any private grounds except with the consent of the owner; provided, however, that this By-Law shall not apply to the use of such weapons at any military exercise or review, or in the lawful defence of the person and family or property of any citizen.

30. Every violation of the foregoing By-Laws shall be punished by a fine of not less than two dollars nor more than twenty dollars, and all penalties recovered for such violation shall be paid into the Treasury of the Town, to inure to such use as the Town shall from time to time direct.

Attest:

GEO. W. CUTTING,

Town Clerk of Weston.

ROAD COMMISSIONERS' REPORT.

The money appropriated for Highways at our last annual meeting has been expended on the several streets in Town as follows, viz.: Ash St., \$50; Brown St., \$10; Boyle St., \$25; Central Ave., \$1,250; Chestnut St., \$20; Concord St., \$200; Church St., \$100; Crescent St., \$10; Elm St., \$20; East Newton St., \$40; Forest St., \$150; Glen road, \$250; Highland St., \$100; Lincoln St., \$25; Loring place, \$100; Merriam St., \$75; Newton St., \$100; North Ave., \$550; Oak St., \$25; River St., \$50; South Ave., \$750; School St., \$100; Sudbury St., \$20; Summer St., \$175; Viles St., \$25; Wellesley St., \$300; Winter St., \$75. The sum of \$250 was paid for bills prior, and the sum of \$250 for a scraper; the balance of the appropriation for gravel and items incidental to the work which will appear in the Auditor's report and would be superfluous to mention here. The above mentioned sums are not claimed to be the exact amount in dollars and cents expended on the several streets, as men and teams are engaged in scraping and carting gravel from one street to another the same day, at often times, but they will approximate very nearly to the amount expended on each.

The appropriation for Lexington St. has been expended with the exception of a small balance (as the Auditor's report will show) in widening and grading the street. The blasting required was so much more favorable than anticipated, that we have been enabled to grade the street nearly its whole length, and, although we could have spent an increased appropriation to advantage, yet a small sum from our annual grant will smooth and leave it in good order the coming season. The abutters and travel from out of Town, have, as far as known, expressed entire satisfaction with the work.

In conclusion, it will be seen by comparing the Assessors' and Auditor's reports that the financial standing of the Town is rapidly improving, that we have nearly sufficient funds in the Treasury to extinguish the Town Debt, and under these circumstances we would suggest if it would not be good policy not only to grant liberal sums for repairs of Highways, but to improve the opportunity to grant some special sums to be expended upon some of our streets which so much need to be improved. We commend the matter to your careful consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

ALONZO S. FISKE,	} <i>Road Commissioners of Weston.</i>
BENJ. F. CUTTER,	
M. L. UPHAM,	

REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF CEMETERIES.

The Trustees of Cemeteries submit the following report for the year ending Feb. 29, 1888.

Besides the usual work of keeping the Cemeteries in order, there has been in Linwood Cemetery about one-half acre dug over, and the stumps and stones removed preparatory to dividing into lots the coming season. There has been one lot sold, making in all 42. Whole number of interments, 68.

RECEIPTS.

Cash received for burial lot,	\$23 70	
“ “ “ hay,	5 00	
“ “ “ wood,	4 00	
Appropriated,	300 00	
	<hr/>	\$332 70

EXPENDITURES.

Cash paid E. L. Bemis, for labor,	\$18 38
L. F. Upham, “	45 50
R. W. Stuart, “	23 22
Whittemore Bros., for fertilizer,	4 12
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<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$91 22

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$91 22	
Geo. W. Cutting & Son, for tools,		
grass seed, etc.,	9 83	
R. W. Stuart, for labor,	20 00	
L. F. Upham, “	71 15	
Geo. Sanderson, for plants,	5 00	
L. F. Upham, for labor,	28 00	
Trustees for services,	15 00	
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Amount of expenses.	\$240 20	
Balance unexpended,	92 50	
	<hr/>	\$332 70
Respectfully submitted,		

EDWARD COBURN,	}	<i>Trustees.</i>
LUTHER F. UPHAM,		

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT
OF THE
MERRIAM FUND FOR THE SILENT POOR.

Dr.

Balance in Treasury, March 1, 1887,	\$187 64
Interest from Fund,	192 48
	<hr/> \$380 12

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Paid Trustees' orders,	\$158 19
Balance unexpended,	221 93
	<hr/> \$380 12

HORACE HEWS, *Treasurer.*

WESTON, Feb. 29, 1888.

REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

The School Board make the following Report. The Board is composed of the following members :

Amos Harris, term expires in 1889.

Nahum Smith, " " " 1888.

F. H. Upham " " " 1888.

Amos Harris, Chairman.

F. H. Upham, Secretary.

Nahum Smith, Sub-Com. on finance and repairs.

Nahum Smith, { Sub-com. on text books and course of
Amos Harris, { study.

School No. 1. Under the special care of Amos Harris.

" 2. " " " " "

" 3. " " " Nahum Smith.

" 4. " " " " "

" 5. " " " F. H. Upham.

" 6. " " " " "

HIGH SCHOOL.

MR. F. E. WHITTEMORE, Teacher.

Mr. D. M. Dustan having taught the school for four years and one term, resigned at the close of the spring term to accept a position as principal in Monson Academy. Having remained with the school so many years and served it so acceptably, your committee felt that a great responsibility rested upon them in securing a successor to Mr. Dustan. Out of

some one hundred applicants, after careful deliberation. Mr. F.E. Whittemore was unanimously elected. He graduated from Brown University and subsequently taught the High School in Ashland with great acceptance. For one year he taught in New Mexico. He came to us, therefore, not only intellectually well prepared, but also with valuable practical experience in the school-room. It affords us pleasure to report that your school has maintained its standard of discipline and scholarship. "One lays the foundation and another buildeth thereon." The scholars have generally done good work. In many directions theory has been skilfully and happily supplemented with practical application so that the otherwise uninteresting study of principles has been rather a pleasure to the scholar than a burden. Chemistry and Philosophy have been emphasized during the past year. Temperance has received good attention, as it has been taught from the scientific standpoint. In this respect we think the High School has received impressions for good that will be exceedingly valuable. The text book is not followed in the teacher's method of conducting very many of the branches taught. Familiarity with the lesson is so secured that questions are addressed to the scholar from a wide range.

Illustrations logically and aptly introduced and facts verified, are so presented as to shed light upon the lesson as studied in the book. From the above considerations and others which might be mentioned, we have reason to believe that your school is deserving of your confidence and hearty co-operation. The unusual number of citizens and friends present on the day of graduation, affords evidence of the interest you are cherishing in behalf of your High School.

We trust that the efforts put forth during the year to come will be crowned with greater success than any in the past. For this end let all the parents, friends and scholars earnestly co-operate with the teacher.

Whole number of scholars, - - - -	34
Average membership, - - - -	27
“ attendance, - - - -	26
Tardy marks, - - - -	19

In behalf of the School Committee,

AMOS HARRIS, *Chairman.*

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL.

MISS M. EVA WARREN, Teacher.

Miss Warren after an experience of nearly two years of teaching in one of our primary schools was elected to fill the vacancy in the Intermediate. The school has been under excellent discipline during the year. Self respect and a high standard of deportment have been kindly and positively required of every scholar. Habits of cleanliness and etiquette have been successfully taught. There has been an unusual degree of enthusiasm awakened in the minds of the pupils for the general work of the school-room. Rapid reckoning has been acquired in a very creditable manner. The dictionary has been studied, perused and read in a manner that must facilitate the use of language as to accuracy of meaning as well as to increase the vocabulary of the scholar. Epigrammatic poetry and sentences of the best authors have been committed to memory as well as portions of the sacred writers.

We feel confident that the school is in a flourishing condition in every respect. This requires vigorous effort and ceaseless watchcare on the part of the teacher to accomplish with scholars at this age.

If the strength of the scholar will permit and the distance is not so great as to overtax his physical endurance, it is very desirable that one year at least should be spent in the Intermediate, preparatory to entering the High School. Expe-

rience convinces us that a better qualification can be secured in this manner than by remaining in the Primary and then entering direct into the High School.

Whole number of scholars, - - - -	31
Average membership, - - - -	29
“ attendance, - - - -	28
Tardy marks, - - - -	39

In behalf of the School Committee,

AMOS HARRIS, *Chairman.*

EAST CENTRE SCHOOL—No. 1.

MISS GERTRUDE E. THOMPSON, TEACHER.

Four different teachers have served this school the past year. All of them have worked faithfully for the best interests of the pupils. The present teacher took charge of the school at the beginning of the Winter term. Miss Thompson is a graduate of the Salem Normal School and has had practical experience in teaching. The school is under excellent discipline and evidently there is a well defined understanding between teacher and pupils. The first class is quite large and has evinced a good interest in their studies.

The teacher has generously offered to continue the school one week during the vacation, so as to afford those an opportunity who wish to perfect themselves for the Intermediate School and thus be better qualified to enter and take a good stand with the scholars. The outlook for the school is very encouraging.

Whole number of scholars, - - - -	33
Average membership, - - - -	27
“ attendance, - - - -	24
Tardy marks, - - - -	108

AMOS HARRIS, *Sub-Committee.*

WEST CENTRE SCHOOL—2.

MISS LILLIE I. DUNN, Teacher.

The scholars who entered the Intermediate, continued in this school for two terms when they joined their class and pursued the course of study. The school is composed of intelligent and attractive pupils. Order and a cheerful spirit of obedience pervades the school-room. History repeats itself in this school and hence sickness very decidedly prevented progress. We were hoping to escape this obstacle which has confronted us so many winter terms and defeated our best directed efforts. But we had to submit to the inevitable. Notwithstanding the above difficulties, good work has been done and we have reason to be very grateful that such good results have been secured.

Whole number of scholars,	-	-	-	-	27
Average membership,	-	-	-	-	21
“ attendance,	-	-	-	-	20
Tardy marks,	-	-	-	-	26

AMOS HARRIS, *Sub-Committee.*

NORTHWEST SCHOOL—No. 3.

MISS MARY V. POUTAS, Teacher.

With the beginning of the new year began a new teacher, the efficient teacher of the two previous years passing up to the charge of the Intermediate School. One of our graduates of the High School with a high record as a scholar, and some experience in a training school, took charge of this little school. Its membership grew to equal any number for the last five years.

The young teacher entered upon her work with an honest enthusiastic desire to do her whole duty in her new vocation. The closing day showed that her labor had not been in vain.

Whole number of scholars,	-	-	-	-	23
Average membership	-	-	-	-	18
“ attendance,	-	-	-	-	17
Tardy marks,	-	-	-	-	46

NAHUM SMITH, *Sub-Committee.*

NORTHEAST SCHOOL.—No. 4.

MISS ANNIE C. COBURN, Teacher.

This school seems always to be in a transition state as regards its material, for with each passing year the names change, new faces come and the familiar ones are no more seen. But in all the changes the steady work goes on just as truly and surely as ever.

We renew our tribute of gratitude that so little of bodily ill has come in to mar its work.

Whole number of scholars,	-	-	-	-	43
Average membership,	-	-	-	-	33
“ attendance,	-	-	-	-	30
Tardy marks,	-	-	-	-	3

Perfect in attendance for six terms: George F. Vittum.

Perfect in attendance for three terms:

Frank I. Sullivan,	Harry B. S. Hinds,
Ernest I. Clark,	Mabel G. Hinds,
Frank C. Hinds,	Marshall Cutting.

NAHUM SMITH, *Sub-Committee.*

SOUTHEAST SCHOOL, No. 5.

MISS LIZZIE S. VILES, Teacher.

Another school year has closed, and under the charge of Miss Lizzie S. Viles, we think it has been a prosperous year for this school. Nothing has occurred to mar the successful working of the school, but harmony has prevailed between teachers, scholars and parents. We think the teacher realizes and teaches that in the acquisition of an education there is a logical order to be followed, and while this may be done at the expense of a brilliant exhibition, yet it is far better that the scholar should leave the primary school with the ability and purpose to make use of the means by which he is to be surrounded than that he should make a brilliant parade of technical rules at the expense of useful knowledge. We think there has been in this school an honest effort on the part of the teacher to impart and a desire on the part of the child to receive, and with such a combination there has been, in the opinion of your Committee, commendable progress.

Whole number of scholars,	-	-	-	-	40
Average membership,	-	-	-	-	35
“ attendance,	-	-	-	:	31
Tardy marks,	.	-	-	-	5

Perfect in attendance for the year :

Levi B. Jennings,

Lillie White.

FRANK H. UPHAM, *Sub-Committee.*

SOUTH-WEST SCHOOL—No. 6.

MISS LURA DUNN, Teacher.

“Strength does not always lie in numbers” is well illustrated in the case of this school. Laboring under the disadvantage

of a change of teachers, and therefore in a measure of a change of methods, it has yet made commendable progress and occupies an honorable place in our school ranks. Though young in experience, Miss Dunn has the true teacher's love of her work, and has won her pupils' love and respect, lacking which school duties become irksome. The large attendance of parents at the examination was very gratifying, giving evidence as it did of the interest in the work. We wish the school no better success than to continue in the path entered.

Whole number of scholars, - - - -	15
Average membership, - - - -	14
“ attendance, - - - -	13
Tardy marks, - - - -	45
Neither absent or tardy: Henry Travis.	

FRANK H. UPHAM, *Sub-Committee.*

REPORT OF SUB-COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND REPAIRS.

ITEM 1. Appropriation for support of schools, -	\$4,000 00
Massachusetts School Fund, - - -	166 79
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	\$4,166 79
Expenditure under this item, - - -	3,969 43
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Balance unexpended, - - -	197 36
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ITEM 2. Appropriation for school incidentals, -	\$1,200 00
Amount transferred from School Fund -	33 66
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Expenditure under this item - - -	\$1,233 66

ITEM 3. Appropriation for purchase of school					
books and stationery,	-	-	-	-	\$350 00
Expenditure,	-	-	-	-	288 47
Balance unexpended,					<hr/> \$61 53

Under the 2d item, the expenditures exceeded the appropriation, leaving outstanding bills to the amount of nearly \$200. A new furnace for the High School building, and painting the building, took about \$450, a heavy draft on the appropriation. We hope no more extra expenses will be called for in that direction for some time.

We wish to paint three of the Primary buildings this year, and we think \$1,200 should be appropriated for school incidentals.

Under the 3d item a balance remains, and we recommend the sum of \$300 for the purchase of school books and stationery.

Respectfully submitted,
N. SMITH, *Sub-Committee.*

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

The Library Committee herewith submit their annual report for the year ending Feb. 29th, 1888.

According to the Librarian's report the library now contains about 7,000 volumes. The whole number of books added to the library during the year is 380, of which 305 were purchased and 75 were presented. The whole number of books taken out during the year is 7,418.

Donations of books and pamphlets have been received from the following sources: Hon. Geo. F. Hoar, Hon. F. D. Ely, Hon. E. A. Moseley, Mr. Francis H. Hastings, Mrs. C. J. Paine, Mrs. D. S. Lamson, Mrs. E. H. Sears, Mr. E. A. Jones, Mr. Herbert Merriam, Mr. Erskine Warden, Laughton, McDonald & Co., Maverick National Bank, Secretary of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Secretary of the Interior, Secretary of the Treasury, Department of State, T. Jefferson Coolidge, Esq., Bureau of Education, Boston Public Library, Harvard College Library, Newberry Library, Chicago, Ill., American Unitarian Association, and the Publishers of the Waltham Free Press.

The following named periodicals are regularly received and allowed to circulate, to be kept out one week only: Harper's Magazine, The Century, Scribner's Magazine, Popular Science Monthly, Lippincott's Magazine, The Forum, and the Unitarian Monthly Review, which Review, together with the Christian Register, is received, free of expense, from the American Unitarian Association. For financial exhibit see Treasurer's report.

No cases of damage to books beyond the ordinary wear have been brought to the notice of the Committee. The Librarian reports that no book has been lost track of during the year: but two books, which were at the time in the house

of a family infected with scarlet fever, have been destroyed. Probably there would have been no danger of these books spreading disease if they were properly disinfected, but according to good authority, the disease germs of scarlet fever, diptheria and kindred diseases may put in their deadly work after lying dormant in books or clothes for years. It seemed to us wiser to submit to a slight pecuniary loss rather than run the risk of books so infected, spreading disease and death in our midst.

OLIVER R. ROBBINS,	}	<i>Library Committee.</i>
HORACE S. SEARS,		
ELIZABETH S. GOWING,		

LIBRARY TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

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Balance on hand, March 1887,	\$39 68
Interest from Library Fund,	84 00
From Town Treasury, dog tax,	278 10
From Librarian, fines,	1 60
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	\$403 38

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Paid A. L. Cutting, for periodicals,	\$10 75
J. M. Heard, for periodicals,	28 35
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Clark & Carruth, for books,	7 03
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., for books,	5 50
Frederick W. Barry, for blank book,	2 30
George H. Humphrey & Co., for binding books,	20 20
A. H. H. Warren, for binding books,	14 65
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Charles E. Smith, for periodicals,	1 50
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American Express Co., expressage,	1 10
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Balance in Treasury,	4 86
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	\$403 38

HORACE HEWS, *Treasurer.*

WESTON, Feb. 29, 1888.

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